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the echoes in the hall of the House of Dele-

GENERAL LOGAN is not losing sleep over the Illinois Senatorship, There is no reason why he should.

CAPT. BENNETT should not sconfine his raids to one form of vice. Why should

THE three cornered fight over the city

Tax action of Mr. Vanderbilt in pre-

constellation. The claws of Tammany's tiger must have been pulled out by the roots. There are organs and organs, but the newspaper organ requires a skillful player to manipulate the keys to draw pelody that will harmonize its read-

that considerable interest was occasioned here Saturday morning in political circles by the publication in the Register, the nocratic organ, of a remarkable editorial. We don't see why Saturday should be particularized. The Register contains remarkable editorials every day in the week, Sundays not excepted.

It is reported the Third District, which has been so modest in past years that it would hardly speak above a whisper in asking a favor, and then blush violently, will enter a special plea this session for a more equitable distribution of the offices in the gift of the Legislature, That section of the State has been sadly neglected, indeed, and it is hoped that due consideration will be given its claims.

The communication of Prof. I. C. White, of the West Virginia University, which ral gas question in relation to this region, is worthy of the attention of those who have the project of boring for gas in this city under consideration. It is not a speculative or theoretical man who speaks, but an expert who has made the subject a oughly equipped geologists of the country. est wells in the Pennsylvania gas helt, and he knows what he is talking about when he says that gas can not be found in this

such a muscular convert, as it has done in Duncan C. Ross, a professional wrestle and saloon keeper of Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. Ross will bring to his new profession some valuable experience which will serve him well in ministering to the spiritual wants of his unfortunate fellow creatures. He disclaims any intention of posing as a He feels that he can do good among a class sive methods of saving souls-and perhaps he may. At least it will do no harm to times to leave the late building. It least a give Mr. Ross a trial. There are reformed company. He is known in a gin shop in Chatham street, near Chambers street, as a man who, of late, has been a liberal parton of "Tom and Jerry."

Before last Saturday he had not been noticed, but since then his calls at the company was been from the country of the strength of the strengt coming worse another portion is growing

INTERNAL REVENUE COLLECTORS are not appointed for a term of years, as some er officers are. They hold their commissions during the pleasure of the President, who in any case may appoint a successor "with the advice and consent of the Senate." If the Senate does not approve a removal it will not confirm the nomination of a successor.

But if one President may remove at will, so may another. If the Senate confirms the nomination of Mr. McCormick, President Cleveland may take occasion early in March to ask confirmation of Mr. Me Cormick's successor. In that event the narrow Republican margin in the Senate could not be relied on to save Mr. McCormick's neck from the same civil service reform halter as President Arthur now has about General Duval's neck.

publican being slipt into so good a thing as the bell is tolling the knell of the departing Republican administration. There are not enough of these good things to go This consideration may considerably diminish Mr. McCormick's tenso strongly that he would not get into the office at all. It is hard to tell what is go-

A Mine Set on Fire, Columbus, O., Jan. 11.—The Columbus

and Hocking Valley Coal and Iron Company discovered this morning that mine No. 5 at Straitsville, was on fire, having No. 5 at Straitsville, was on fire, having been fired on the night previous. The mine has not been in operation for, some time, though it is one of the largest in the country, having a capacity of about 125 cars per day. Entrance was gained to the mine by removing about fifteen feet of earth and blocks which had been used in closing up the old entrance. No trouble resulted as the perpertators were not discovered in the act of firing the mine. The reports are that some people who endeavored to go near the mine to-night were fired on, but no person was hurt.

Want It Counted in.

potters talked all day of the latest proposition by the manufacturers, namely to accept English wages plus the protective tariff of 55 per cent. There was a unani-mous sentiment against this unless the facturers would add to the tariff

A DYNAMITER'S DIRK.

THE ASSASSINATION OF PHELAN O'Donovan Rossa and Ills Followers. Assault are Bather Suspicious.

New York, Jan. 10.—The general impression among Irishmen this morning, according to a late Vice President of the Irish National Land League, is that the attempted murder of Captain Thomas Phelan was deliberately planned and carried out by O'Donovan Rossa, Patrick Joyce and a few of their followers. Rossa has always advocated the policy of carrying the war against England into this country, and of prosecuting its friends, or the men who were inclined to desert the cauces and in the joint convention, always provided, of course, that the Logan men offices at Parkersburg, Saturday, resulted joyce and a few of their followers. Rossa in a substantial victory for the Republi-

the men who were inclined to desert the cause of the dynamiters, to the utraost extensity and the flag and the provided, of course, that the Logan men of and complainting that the leaders had done nothing for the cause of Ireland, in punishing the traitors who were assisting of and complainting that the leaders had done nothing for the cause of Ireland, in punishing the traitors who were assisting whole attention to the business of the Board of Commissioners.

The New Youx Star, John Kelly's organ, has ceased to twinkle as a daily and will hereafter appear as a weekly constellation. The claws of Tammany's removed.

O'Donovan Rossa is believed to be abso-

PHELAN'S STORY. /
The story, such as it was, involved the and England: and Rossa, it is stated, reed. Rossa, who does not care to place his to have anything to do with the matter, and consented, it is said, only after he had been compelled to write the letter to Pho-an, which eventually brought the latter

kan, which eventually brought the mater to this city.

The convenient absence of both Rossa and Joyce from the office of the United Irialman yesterday, while the butchery was going on, is regarded as suggestive shout to take place. It is the custom of the office that when neither Rossa nor oyce is there the door is double-pad-

locked and all entry into its mysteries is impossible.

Theoreumstance that while both Rossa and Joyco were at their homes the office was crowded by half a dozen men, whom none of the leaders acknowledged they knew, is considered at least as presumptive evidence that the attestations of innoceance so for naught.

energy of or naught.

Rossa seldom visits his office after 4 o'clock in the afternoon. His visit yesterday, at dusk, and the manifest nervousness he displayed when questioned as to the stabling, were both unusual. Persons familiar with Rossa's habits say be contravaled to the stable of the stabl made towards blowing England out of the British Channel. But in this case he deabsolutely that he had any knowledge

- THE ASSASSIN'S CHARACTER.

ecognized by several persons who have offices in the building where Rossa's office is situated, and it was learned this morning that Short had not been an infrequent that is not reached by the modern exclu- visitor at Rossa's office within the last week. He has been observed several he may. At least it will do no harm to times to leave the building in Rossa'

gin shop have been frequent enough to barkeeper, so that when he saw him led past his place yesterday afternoon he recognized him. It is also stated by the tenants in the building that recently a number of men have been calling at Rossa's office, and that within the last week this number has been increased. Both lossa and Joyce refuse to give any information to reporters to-day. Entrance to Rossa's office can be obtained only by privileged characters, and they are inclined to refrain from speaking of the object of their visit., One of them said, as

clined to refrain from speaking of the object of their yisit. One of them said, as he left the building in company with a friend: "Short will be taken care of. He did right to kill the traitor."

But with the exception of a few of these hot-headed extremists, frishmen generally regard the crime as a cold-blooded and deliberate attempt to murder a man who was likely to cause certain individuals a deal of trouble. They condemn it heartily, and claim that it should be made the means of rooting out the colony of dynamiters which has brought a lasting reproach upon the Irish cause.

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Washington, Jan. 10.—Captain Phelan, It is not to be expected that the Demo-crats are going to submit tamely to a Re-crats are going to submit tamely to a Re-d Donovan Rossa's office in New York yesterday, was Lieutenant of the Capitol

well filled. A. R. Patterson, August
Spies and others less known in socialistic
circles made speeches setting forth the
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A STATE OF UNCERTAINTY

Senatorship.
Springfield, Ill., Jan. 10.—The absence islature leaves the situation in the Sena torial struggle unchanged. In fact the will not fairly start until the question of organization is settled, the election returns are canvassed and the new State officers inaugurated. Very lit-tle has occurred so far to indicate the re-

EVARTS' CHANCES

For the New York Senatorship Said to Be

this source of income, or any attempt to attract it into another course, would merit, according to these men, condign punishment. The subscriptions are for "the cause," as exemplified by Rossa. When Phelan, who is accredited with being a fee speaker and generous Irishman, was interviewed by a friendly reporter on the Kansas City Journal, he told more than his promises should have permitted him, from a dynamiters standpoint. His description of the attempt to blow up the Queen was given with such a wealth of detail as to carry councition.

PIELAN'S STORY. Half-breeds and the Arthur Stalwarts together on Mr. Evarts. Burleigh and
Draper, representing the President's
friends, were assured that they should be
permitted to remain in absolute control
of the party machinery if they would
consent to support Mr. Evarts.

It was represented to them that no one
else had any chance of beating Morton,
whose election would mean the elevation
to the position of party managers of ex-

to the position of party managers of ex-Senator Platt and ex-Governor Cornell, the President's foes, It is evident that Senator Milleralso fears Platt's ascendency

believed he will change his mind if the combination goes into effect. Congress man Wadsworth said to night that he had

Bad Wreck on a Southern Railroad-List

of the logared.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., Jun. 11.—In the cident which occurred on the Pensacola & Atlantic railroad vesterday morning of persons were seriously injured. The passenger train with two Pullman coaches passenger train with two Pullman coaches for this city was followed by a freight. At the locality indicated the train broke in two, the Pullmans were left standing on the track. They had just rounded a curve so that the freight train could not be seen and before it could be flagged it came dashing around the point and struck the rear Pullman telescoping the two cars and making a complete wreck. Following are the injured: K. A. Durkee, St. Paul, Minn., knee cut; George Sharp, Covington, Ky., hand crushed and internally injured: W. H. Riley, Binghampton, N. Y., hand and arm crushed; F. S. McElfresh, Pullman conductor, head and arm hadly cut; Hinton A. Helpen, Jacksonville, ankle out of

Paul, Minn., knee sprained and head bruised. Of the injured all but Helpen came on through and arrived this morning. WASHINGTON NOTES.

partments.

The House passed the naval bill.

The Secretary of War has decided not to order a court-martial for the trial of Lieu-tenant Garlington on charges preferred by

A conference of Demogratic Senators was called Saturday afternoon to consider the policy to be pursued in respect to treaties. Less than a quorum was present, and no line of action was decided upon or proposed. The proceedings were gossipy and informal, and a greater part of two hours of the conference was devoted to a comparison of views concerning the policy of the new Administration, especially with regard to removals and appointments.

A bill to provide for the exercise of juris-

regard to removals and appointments.

A bill to provide for the exercise of jurisdiction conferred upon the United States, in places out of their territory and dominion, reported favorably by Representative lilit, of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, is intended to provide a more perfect system of courts and to prescribe more complete, precise and harmonious law for the protection of Americans residing in foreign countries such as China.

O'Donovan Rossa's oillee in New York yesterday, was Lieutenant of the Capitol philes here during the Forty-sixth Congress. He held the place two or three years, but when the Kansas City District became Republican, through a split among the Democrats, Phelan lost his position and returned to Kansas City. Since he left Washington, remors have from time to time reached here connecting him with dynamiters. It was at one time said that he had gone to England on a dynamite acception of the position for the Statue of Liberty Eulightenia (he referred in his interview published in the Kansas City Journal.

Chicago Socialists.

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TERRIFIC EXPLOSION

OF THE ROILERS OF A STEAM TU

jured-The Frightful Force of the

eth, Pa., special says: By explosion of was completely demolished near here at killed and others badly hurt. The boat had put ashore at Belleville to make re pairs to her machinery that had broken down. The explosion occurred while she lay there. The killed and injured are: Wm. Holler, steward, Allegheny; Wm. Matthews, deck-hand, Allegheny, Gardner Jackson, captain, Allegheny badly scalded; Hugh T. Porter ngineer, Allegheny, cheek laid open Thomas McQuain, deck-hand, South Side, Pittsburgh, leg hurt slightly.

Side, Pittsburgh, leg hurt slightly. The remaining member of the crew was Henry Brown, fireman, of Allegheny. He is uninjured.

The hull of the unlucky steamer and the vicinity for two hundred yards around is indeed a scene of desolation. The force of the explosion must have been terrific. The hull lies in shallow water near the shore half exposed, and one side blown out. The entire upper works are blown off. Fragments of the machinery and fixtures lay scattered all around on the ground, and many of them were blown far into the river, where they either sank or floated off.

The boiler which burst lies a shattered and battered wreck fifty yards up along yards down the shore lies the pilot wheel and a section of the hurricane ceck, while up the hillside and far back from the river lies the pilot house stove. The smoke stack was blown entirely over the hill, at least 200 feet-high, and lies in a hollow half a mile away. Fragments of woodwork and machinery are stream thicky.

work and machinery are strewn thickly over the ground for a great distance around.

§1 The lost men have not yet been found.

They are supposed to have been blown into the river which is being dragged for the bodies. Viewing the wreck and the evidence of the awful force expended, it is a matter of great wonder that any escaped alive.

The engineer in a broken voice and with

ollows: "We were coming up light, and everything going right when the valve thing, and we ran ashore to fix

ne unhurt. The Captain was just where I had left.

The Captain was just where I had left, and was badly scalded. McQuain was blown clean out on the shore, and thus had his leg hurt. The other two poor Iollows had gone forward, the steward to get dinner and Matthews to let the boat loose. I was careful. Oh! I am sure it was not my fault, and I don't know what caused it."

ured were speedily gathered up and taken pily being in sight when the explosion occurred. Subsequently they were taken o the steamer Venture to their homes in Allegheny. The Captain is severly scald-ed on the hands and side, but will prob-ably recover. The engineer had a narro; escape from bleeding to death from an artery severed in his cheek. Otherwise he is not hurt, but is in great mental anguish.

the screw propeller order, seventy-one feet long seventeen feet wide and drawby the Brown coal firm, of Pittsburgh, and was three years old. Her equipment was the very best in every particular, and well posted rivermen put her value at \$15,000. She is a complete wreck.

CLEVELAND'S CABINET,

Henry G. Would Not Befused a Portfolio New York Tribune

Ex-Senator Henry G. Davis, of West Virginia, was in the city yesterday for a onference with William C. Whitney, Colonel John R. Fellows and others. It is said that he would not refuse a Cabinet portfolio, but is not especially anxious for one. His presence here has revived the He was one of the Bayard delegates at the Chicago convention, and stood by his colors when Gorman fled to the Clevecamp. He had been an old and intimate friend of Mr. Thurman, who sought his support, and their friendship was broken because Davis' remained true to the promises he had made Bayard. His friends say that now he is mentioned for the Cabi-

VANDERBILT'S GENEROSITY.

He Forgives Grant His Debt, but the Gen-eral Refuses. NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—The following letter was sent to Mrs. Ulysses S. Grant, by Mr W. H. Vanderbilt

"640 FIFTH AVE., Jan. 10, 1885. Mrs. Ulysses S. Grant:
DEAR MADAME:—So many misrepreses

fations have appeared in regard to the loss made by me to General Grant and reflecting unjustly upon him and myself that ms proper to briefly recite the facts. On Sunday, the 4th of May last, General Frant called at my house and asked me t lend him one hundred and fifty thousand dollars for one day. I gave him my check without question, not because the transacthe next twenty-four hours aroused the sympathy and regret of the whole country. You and he sent me within a few days of the time deeds of your joint property to cover this obligation, and urged my acceptance on the ground that this was the only debt of honor which the General had personally incurred, and these deeds I returned. During my absence in Europe the General delivered to my attorney mortages upon all his real estate; household effects, and swords, medals and works of art, which were memories of his the next twenty-four hours aroused the

thousand dollars. At his solicitation necessary steps were taken by judgment, etc., to reduce these properties to my possession and the articles mentioned have been this day bought in by me and the amounts bid applied to the reduction of the debt. Now, that I am at liberty to treat these things as my own the disposition of the whole matter most in accord with my feeling is this. I present to you, as your separate estate. resent to you, as your separate estate, he debt and judgment I hold against the debt and judgment I hold against General Grant; also mortgages upon his real estate and all household furniture and ornaments, coupled only with the condition that the swords, commissions, medals, gitts from the United States, cities and foreign Governments, and all articles of listorical value and interest shall at the General's death, or if you desire it, sooner, be presented to the Government at Washington, where they will remain as a perpetual memorial of his fame and of the history of his time. I enclose herewith assignments to you of

the President of the United States for de-posit in the proper department.

Trusting this action will meet with your acceptance and approval, and with kindest regards to your husband,
I am yours respectfully,
W. H. VANDERBILT.

Grant's Reply.

DEAR SIR:-Mrs. Grant wishes me to say that while she appreciates your great generosity in transferring to her great generosity in transferring to her the mortgages given to secare my debt of \$150,000, she cannot accept in whole. She accepts with pleasure the trust which applies to the articles enumerated in your letter to go to the Government of the flatted States at my death, or sooner, at her option. In this matter you liave an-ticipated the disposition which I had contemplated making of the arti-cles. They will be delivered to the Gov-ernment as zoon as arrangements can erument as soon as arrangements can be made for their reception. The papers relating to all other property will be re-curred with the request that you have it sold and the proceeds applied to the liqui-dation of the debt which I so justly owe you. You have stated in your letter with minute accuracy the history of the trans-action which brought me in your debt.

To W. H. Vanderbilt. In answer to this letter Mr. Vanderbilt nsists on his whole proposition, but Mr and Mrs. Grant persistently refuse to accept

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Fifteen firms were burned out by a fire Sioux City, Ia. Loss \$60,000. Several buildings on the south side of the Public Square, Hamburg, Ark., burn-ad. Loss \$30,000.

The jury in the Hardy murder trial Marietta, O., returned a verdict of murder

The residence of L. Lytle, near Delaware, O., was entered by masked burglars and robbed of \$2,000.

The Farmers' Bank at Elizabethtown. Pa., closed. Liabilities \$80,000. Depos-itors likely to lose heavily. Charles Simons, astorekeeper and heavy

late dealer at Portland, Pa., mysteriously lisappeared. He is a defaulter for \$40,000. The total cut of lumber in the North-western region last year was 2,534,289,000 fect of lumber, 1,059,354,300 shingles, and 120,000,000 lath.

Rev. C. W. Miller, D.D., of the M. E. Durch, South, died at his home in Lexngton, Ky., at an early hour Saturday Norman Lock is under arrest at Eaton

, charged with forging orders on the ounty. Auditor for witness fees amount-The Secretary of War has decided not

order a court-martial for the trial of entenant Garlington on charges prefered by General Hazen.

The Sunday Creek Coal Company and the Sunday Creek Mining company, both of Toledo, O., have been consolidated inder the former name. The National Tube Works, McKeesport,

The New York Star will be discontinued is a daily paper, but will continue as a weekly. The change is owing to the de-line of Kelly's political power.

cline of Kelly's political power.

A fire in a half tenement, half store building, Cincinnati, caused a total loss of about \$50,000. Thirty families were driven out. A defect the law was the cause.

The Louisville and Nashville depot at Nashville, with all the freight stored there and about one hundred loaded cars, also a hotel adjacent, were destroyed by fire. Loss \$150,000 on depot, \$2,500 on hotel. Two freight trains on the Chesapeake & Onio collided Saturday near Jackson river. The engineer and fireman of one train were killed. Three brakemen were severely wounded. Both trains are a total wreck.

IMPROVED FEELING

IN LEADING BUSINESS CENTRES

Situation-Wool Unchanged and Prices Steady-No Improvement in the Coke Trade, but Brighter Prospects.

Special telegrams from leading business enters throughout the United States contain in many instances evidences of an There is little if any basis for this, so far the advance in the price of wheat, which now appears to have shown sufficient where the rush upward began. The starting of iron works at several cities has also stimulated a better feeling.

The dry goods market at the larger distributing centers is firmly held, and there is some activity reported.

The general trade situation is far from satisfactory, although renewed purchases

satisfactory, although renewed purchases in a few lines suggest to those most inter-ested the likelihood of a material im-

provement in the spring demand. The industrial situation is less favora said to be still below the cost of produc-tion. The cut in wages will affect 19,000 operatives, and a strike is not out of the juestion. Spring trade in prints, ging-nams, and other seasonable fabrics has

began with fair promise.

Cotton contracts have declined 12 and 20 points during the week, the continued iberal crop movement being favorable to

The Wool Market

Boston, Mass,, Jan. 10.-The Advertise its weekly review of the wool trade avs: The tone of the market is practi ally unchanged, and prices are steady Dealers do not want prices to advance, a such a move would cause an advance in

There has, however, been a surplus of coarse and medium wools in the market for a long time. If manufacturers, however, should want to buy the best Ohio XX, they would have to pay 35c, but other grades bring 33a34c. Every now and then an effort is made to put Michigan wool below 35, but without success,

Connellsville, Jan. 10.—The Keyeto burier reviewing the coke trade says he coke trade cannot be said to have im eased and orders grew scarcer, until the

creased and orders grow scarcer, until the average daily shipments for the month fell to 470 cars. January opens up with an average daily output of 450 cars. In the face of this fact, shippers anticipate an improvement. This anticipation is not imaginary, but is based upon substantial facts. There is a more active demand for coke and many buyers are anxious to make yearly contracts. Several furnaces are reported about to blow in again after a long idleness, and these will do their part toward incre using the demand. Then there is the prospect, not definite to be sure, but fairly prospective, that there will be a general improvement in the irro trade in the spring. As against these encouraging

expected that this condition of affairs, at least, will be changed.

CHANGES IN THE COKE POOL.

The pool adds 313 ovens to its list in the purchase by Colonel Schoonmaker, a member of the syndicate, of a controlling interest in the Redstone works, south of Uniontown. The original owners of these works were J. W. Moore, P. H. Moore and Colonel Schoonmaker. They did not get along amicably and when the coke pool was formed, the Moores declined to enter it and having a controlling interest kept the works out in spite of the best efforts of Schoonmaker. The latter then invoked the aid of law to get control, or to get out. The matter dragged its length, through the equity courts until Schoonmaker cut the Gordian knot of disagreement this week by purchasing the interest of J. W. Moore outright at a cost of \$145,000. The works will now be added to the syndicate and will leave but 331 independent ovens.

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works will now be added to the syndicate and will leave but 631 independent ovens. The retiring member of the firm is an extensive holder of coal lands in the Pleasant Unity district, and announces an intention of erecting ovens and developing his holdings there.

John D. Royle, president of the Coke Producers' Association, has entered suit against McClure & Company, one of the members of the syndicate, to recover \$7,309, which he alleges to be due him for his one-half share of the output of the Boyle works, handled by the syndicate, the proceeds whereof were received and

PARKERSBURG CITY ELECTION. The Republicans Elect Mayor and a Major

PARKERSBURG, W. VA., Jan. 11 .- Th nunicipal election held yesterday resulted as follows: Mayor—Dr. Isaac Scott, (Rep.); Councilmen—J. Henry Fischer (Rep.); W. Vrooman, (Rep.); William

(Rep.); W. Vrooman, (Rep.); William Burk, (Rep.); R. H. Thomas, (Rep.); C. C. Martin, (Dem.); C. J. Reynolds, (Dem.), W. N. Chancellor was a candidate on the Citizen's and Democratic tleket, and Dr. Scott on the Republican. The candi-dates for Recorder on the Citizen's and Republican ticket were both elected. Of the successful candidates, four are from the Third ward. Dr. Scott's friends are jubilant over the victory.

ESCAPED JAILBIRDS

ecaptured - Evans and Varner

GRAPTON, W. VA., Jan. 10.-The Sheriff his deputies, the constables and police had a lively time last night searching for the prisoners who escaped from the jail a Pruntytown. Two of them were captured and returned to jail in time for breakfast this morning, but the other is still at large

It appears now that instead of sawing their way out they merely walked out the door of their cell, which was not fastened The jailor supposed everything was secure and was certain he had locked their cell

falled to move as they should to catch properly.

The prisoners then made their escape from the second story of the building by means of ropes made of their blankets. After escaping from the jail they made their way directly to this city for the purpose, it is thought, of arming themselves, as one of their lirst movements was to break into the Mayor's office to try to regain possession of the revolvers taken from them when first arrested. A policeman discovered George Hardman in the Mayor's office, but as he went in the door Hardman jumped through a window and disappeared, leaving his boots behind. He has not, been seen since. Arthur Evans and William Varner were afterwards captured. Evans was found at home, and when asked what he had just come home to see his mother. Varner had in his possession a revolver that had been taken from the Mayor's office,

the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and Thursday for the consideration of the (McPherson) Senate bill, providing for the issue of circulating notes to national banking associations, and the (Dingley) House bill, authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to invest lawful money deposited in the treasury in trust by the national banking associations for the retirement of their circulating notes. These special orders, however, are not to interfere with the consideration of the general appropriation bills. When the House adjourned Saturday the discussion of the Consular and Diplomatic bill was not completed. That measure will be called completed. That measure will be called up Tuesday, or possibly to-morrow, it the entire day should not be occupied by the Committee of the District of Columbia. Committee of the District of Columbia.

The Committee on Appropriations intends reporting the Indian bill Tuesday and an effort will be made to pass it as soon as the Consular and Diplomatic bill is disposed of. It is possible the River and Harbor Appropriation Bill will be reported Wednesday or Thursday. As soon thereafter as opportunity is offered an effort will be made to pass it.

There promises to be a strenuous effort made during the week between the friends

of special orders and the advocates of prominent measures which have been before the House for some time. Mr. Singleton will endeavor to secure the passage of the bill authorizing the construction of a building for the accommodation of the Congressional library, Mr. Townshend the Mexican Pension Bill, and Mr. Willis the Educational Bill.

A DRUNKEN FATHER

eral improvement in the iron trade in the spring. As against these encouraging signs there is the bleak fact that coke is being stocked on the yard at many of the works, and many sidings are full of loaded cars for which the syndicate is unable to give destination. Upon the whole, it is safe to predict a material improvement in trade in the near future. It won't be a boom by any means, but it will be large enough to be seen and big enough to be felt. At present the syndicate works are only running four days in the week, and some of the smaller works of the coke association have shut down entirely. It is expected that this condition of affairs, at least, will be changed.

The officers and neighbors searched the hills for the murderer, but he has not yet been caught, if still alive. Carl and his family lived in the greatest squalor, and he has always been known as a brute. The instrument with which the deed was com-mitted is a large pocket-knife, and the blade is over three inches long and half

Nashville, Jan. 10.—A train from \$1 75 Evansville, Ind., to this city, via Hender- I 00. son, conveying the Aimee troupe, was de Boyle works, handled by the syndicate, the proceeds whereof were received and not accounted for by his joint partners in the ownership of the works, the defendants named. On account of these troubles it is rumored that Boyle will resign the presidency of the association.

News From Gordon.

London, Jan. 11.—It is officially stateed a messenger arrived at Khartoum on the a messenger arrived at Khartoum on the amessenger arrived. layed at Pembroke, Ky., by the burning the court so formed. The troupe did not arrive here until 10 o'clock last night, too

OUR Dress Goods Department will be ll ablaze to-day with Red Tickets. E. M. McGillin & Co.

ABOUT NATURAL GAS

Prof. White, of the West Virginia Univer Deeper Than J,800 Feet-Opinion of

the INTELLIGENCER of the 7th with regard

Sin: -I observe that your proposition in

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to sinking the La Belle gas well to a depth greater than 2,000 feet is about to bear natural gas question a special study, I would advise you to recall the suggestion would advise you to recall the suggestion of going deeper, for if geological science can give any answer worthy of credence, the money expended in boring the La Belle, or any other well in the vicinity of Wheeling, deeper than 2,000 feet, will be spent in vala, so far as obtaining a supply of natural gas is concerned. The reason for this statement is based on the following facts: Large supplies of natural gas, just like oil, must have a reservoir to contain the same. Such a reservoir to contain the same. Such a reservoir is found in a coarse, soft, pebbly sandstone which holds the gas or oil, as the case may be, just as a sponge holds water. Unless such a porous reservoir be present in the depths of the earth the gas supply will not last, even if a strong vein should be struck, as witness the recent Jones & Laughlin well in Pittsburgh.

Now the geologist knows in a fairly accurate way the character of the rocks below a depth of 2,000 feet at Wheeling just as well before as he will after the drill has penetrated them, and any respectable geologist will tell you that below this depth at Wheeling in process.

beds capable of holding any considerable supply of gas would be encountered if the drill should penetrate the earth even to the depth of a mile; in fact the rocks for the next 2,000 feet would be compact slates and shales without a trace of pebbly sandstone, and hence any one who gives the matter intelligent thought must see that a search through them for gas would certainly prove fruitless.

During May of last year the writer examined the territory in the vicinity of Wheeling in a professional capacity for some parties who were interested in procuring natural gas. With great reluctance, I was obliged to condemn the region for gas territory within a radius of ten

had in his possession a revolver that had been taken from the Mayor's office,

THE WEEK IN CONGRESS.

Synopsis of the Work to be Considered by the House.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan, 11.—Under the rules of the House the Committee on District of Columbia will be entitled to the floor to-morrow and will endeavor to the floor to-morrow and will endeavor to pass a number of bills of only local inter-see get any, and in this connection a word est. It is uncertain what business will be of warning to those capitalists who think

pass a number of bills of only local interest. It is uncertain what business will be given precedence by the House during the week. Tuesday is set apart for such business as may be set apart by the Committee on Judiciary, Wednesday for business presented by the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and Thursday for the consideration of the (McPherson) Senate bill, providing for the issue of circulating notes to national banking associations, and the (Dingley) House bill, authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to invest, lawful money deposited in the treasury in trust by the national banking associations for the retirement of their circulating notes. These special orders, however, are not to interliere with the consideration of the general appropriation bills. When the Hayne and the working make the investment as the sufficient providing for the state of circulating notes to national banking associations for the retirement of their circulating notes. These special orders, however, are not to interlier with the consideration of the general appropriation bills. When the Hayne at the sum of the providing the second orders, however, are not to interlier with the consideration of the general appropriation bills. When the Hayne at the sum of the providing the second orders however, are not to interlier with the consideration of the general appropriation bills. When the Hayne at the sum of the providing the second orders however are not to interlier with the consideration of the general appropriation bills. When the Hayne at the sum of the providing the second orders however are not to interlier.

your city must be my excuse for this con munication. I. C. White, Morgantown, W. Va., Jan. 10.

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